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SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully
request entry and consideration of the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in the attached marked-up copy to read as
follows:

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This application is a continuation of International Patent Application
PCT/JP00/04298, which was filed on June 29, 2000, and which claims priority to Japanese
Patent Application 11-187959, which was filed on July 1, 1999, and to Japanese Patent
Application 2000-71706, which was filed on March 15, 2000, all of which are incorporated
herein by reference.